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Draft multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission 2005-2008

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with a request contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/51, the proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission is set out below. It is a revision of the programme of work for 2004-2007 considered by the Commission at its thirty-fifth session (see E/CN.3/2004/31), reflecting comments from members and observers of the Commission and a review by the United Nations Statistics Division of its work plans.

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Proposed multi-year work programme for the Statistical Commission

Agenda item[a]	*2005*	*2006*	*2007*	*2008*
1. Demographic and social statistics				
(a) Population and housing censuses	X		X	
(b) Human settlements statistics				X
(c) Paris Group on Labour and Compensation (city group)		X		X
(d) Health statistics	X	X	X	X
(e) Social statistics		X		X
(f) Poverty statistics	X	X		
(g) Rio Group on Poverty Statistics (city group)		X		X
(h) Siena Group for Social Statistics (city group)		X		X
(i) Statistics of drugs and drug abuse				X
(j) Washington Group on Disability Measurement (city group)	X		X	
2. Economic statistics				
(a) National accounts	X	X	X	X
(b) Agricultural statistics			X	
(c) Industrial statistics		X	X	
(d) Round Table on Business Survey Frames (city group)		X		X
(e) Energy statistics	X	X		
(f) Distributive trade statistics		X		
(g) International merchandise trade statistics		X		X
(h) Statistics of international trade in services	X		X	
(i) Statistics of services	X		X	
(j) Information and communication technology statistics	X		X	
(k) Tourism statistics		X		
(l) Finance statistics			X	
(m) International Comparison Programme	X	X	X	X
(n) Ottawa Group on Price Indexes (city group)	X		X	
(o) Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics	X		X	
(p) Statistics of science and technology				X

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(q) Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics (city group)	X		X	
(r) Voorburg Group on Service Statistics (city group)		X		X
3. Natural resources and environment statistics				
(a) Environment statistics	X	X		X
(b) Environmental accounting	X	X	X	
(c) London Group on Environmental Accounting		X		X
4. Activities not classified by field				
(a) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes	X	X	X	X
(b) Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division)	X	X	X	X
(c) Management issues in national statistical offices		X		
(d) Statistics of human development		X		
(e) Implementation of the fundamental principles of official statistics				
(f) International economic and social classifications	X	X	X	X
(g) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata	X			
(h) Presentation of statistical data and metadata	X			
(i) Coordination of ongoing methodological work		X		
(j) Statistical capacity-building	X	X	X	X
(k) Dissemination of statistics by the United Nations Statistics Division		X		
(l) Indicators	X	X	X	X
(m) Follow-up to Economic and Social Council policy decisions	X	X	X	X
(n) Working methods of the Statistical Commission	X			
Total number of items	**24**	**28**	**22**	**22**

[a] The order of the agenda items is based on the Classification of Statistics and Statistical Activities of the ACC Subcommittee on Statistical Activities (SA/2001/9 dated 16 August 2001).

Programme reviews

2003: statistics of services

2004: social statistics

2005: energy statistics

2006: industrial statistics